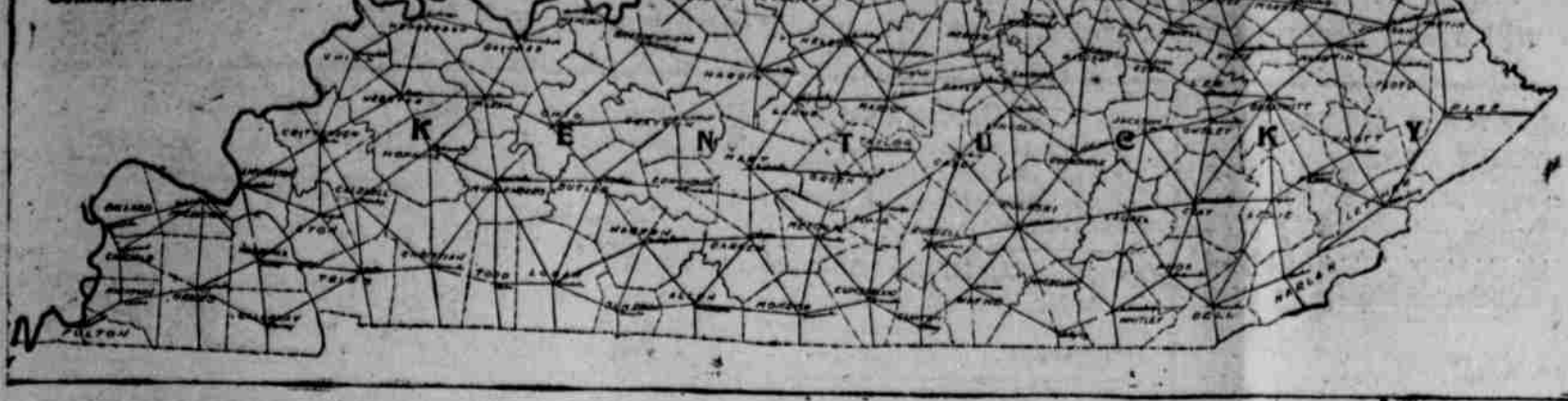


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ATTEMPT MADE TO END FRANK'S LIFE

Deadly Blow Struck As
Victim Slept.

MURDEROUS FELLOW-CONVICT

Used Butcher Knife—Long,
Jagged Cut Requires Twen-
ty-Five Stitches.

NO PROOF OF A CONSPIRACY

Milledgeville, Ga., July 18.—Leo M. Frank lay in the Georgia State prison hospital to-night with what attendants said was a fighting chance for recovery. Physicians had succeeded in stopping the flow of blood from a jagged wound in his throat made with a butcher knife in the hands of William Green, a fellow-convict, also serving a life term for murder. The blow was struck as Frank slept in his bunk in a dormitory late last night.

An investigation of the attack probably will be concluded by the Georgia Prison Commission, the same body that refused to recommend that Frank's death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan be commuted to life imprisonment. Reports from Atlanta were that Gov. Harris intimated to-day he would start such an investigation to ascertain if Green acted entirely of his own volition. Green said to-day, when taken from solitary confinement long enough to be questioned, that he planned the attack alone and that no one knew what he intended to do. He was not communicative to-day and gave as his only excuse that "he thought it should be done." He said, however, he regretted his act.

Frank was quartered at night in a dormitory with about 100 other prisoners and occupied a bunk about forty feet from one of the two doors to the large room. Green's bunk was fourth from his. No prisoner is allowed to leave his place without permission from one of the two

guards stationed at the dormitory at night. Shortly after 11 o'clock last night Green called out for permission to get up and it was granted.

He started down the line of bunks toward the one occupied by Frank. As he reached it he quickly grabbed Frank by the hair and delivered one blow with the knife he had concealed. A guard rushed to the bunk and prevented Green from striking again.

Among prisoners who rushed to Frank's aid were two physicians, one of whom also is serving a life term for murder. They gave first aid and treated the wound until Dr. Guy Compton, the prison physician, was summoned from his home half a mile away. The three men took twenty-five stitches in Frank's neck. Dr. H. J. Rosenberg, the Frank family physician, arrived from Atlanta to-day with nurses. He said that, while the patient's condition was precarious, he had a chance for life.

Mrs. Frank was in Milledgeville at the home of J. M. Burns. She was not told of the attack until after the physicians had finished their work. She became hysterical, but later was calmed and was taken to the prison hospital.

The cut extends from the front of the neck around the left side to almost the middle of the back of the neck. Neither the windpipe nor the spinal cord is hurt, but the jugular vein is partly severed. The physicians' greatest fear to-night was that some of the stitches might slip, causing more loss of blood.

Frank has benefited a great deal by the outdoor life since being brought to the farm June 21. Though a small man he always has had a rugged constitution and that coupled with his exercise of the last three weeks is in his favor, the doctors said. He took some nourishment to-day.

Frank knew of the demonstrations against the action of Gov. Slaton, whose term recently expired, in commuting his sentence, and also of threats to take him from the prison by force. Those who reached his side first after he was wounded believe he had all this in mind when he said:

"I guess they have got me now." He did not lose consciousness and after being taken to the hospital asked that his assailant be forgiven.

Green was sentenced from Columbus, Ga., for killing a man named Kitchen. Shortly after the crime a jury inquired into his sanity, but declared him sane. Saturday he was helping to kill hogs with other prisoners. He concealed in his clothing the knife he used in the butchering, and later it is believed secreted it in his bunk.

FAMOUS INCIDENT IS NOW BEING RECALLED

Which Shows the Characteristic Temperament Of German Official Life.

A writer in World's Work recalls a notable incident of the Spanish-American War which may have escaped the memory of most Americans. Its republication seems timely in view of the present somewhat strained relations between Germany and the United States. The article is in part as follows:

"Early in May, 1898, Admiral Dewey's fleet sailed into Manila Bay, beat the Spaniards, and established a blockade. Soon afterward two English cruisers, a French cruiser, and a Japanese cruiser, appeared and willingly complied with the very reasonable regulations that the Admiral laid down to them. A day or two later a German cruiser, the Irene, appeared. She ignored the American flagship and dropped anchor where she chose. Admiral Dewey overlooked the incident as due to carelessness or ignorance. Next morning, another German ship, the Cormoran, arrived. A launch was sent to hail her and was ignored. A shot was fired across her bow, for it was feared that she might be a disguised Spanish ship. Then she came to and was boarded. Two days later, on May 12th, Admiral von Diederich arrived in his flagship, the Kaiserin Augusta.

"By the middle of June there were five German warships in port, two of them with a heavier displacement than any of the American vessels. It was as Admiral Dewey records, an anxious time, owing to the possible arrival of another Spanish fleet from Spain, and meanwhile the impertinence of the Germans increased.

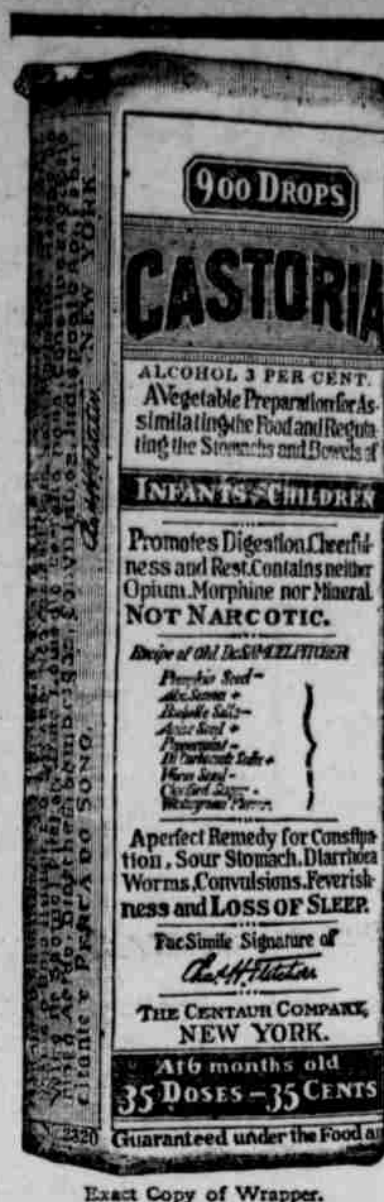
"Finally, without Admiral Dewey's permission, the Germans landed men at Mariveles Harbor for drill and took possession of the quarantine station at the mouth of the bay. On July 6th Admiral Dewey was told by Filipino insurgents that the Germans had been interfering at Subig Bay, with their operations against the Spaniards. Admiral Dewey sent two vessels to investigate. It was found that the German cruiser Irene had visited the Spaniards and had kept the insurgents from using a small steamer which belonged to them. No Germans were actually fighting. The situation, however, was not pleasant and Admiral Dewey took the occasion of the news of Santiago to visit von Diederich and lay before him his position. The main trouble was von Diederich's refusal to admit that the Americans had the right as blockaders to visit and board all vessels, including foreign warships, entering the bay. The German admiral said that he would submit the point to authorities on international law recognize that Admiral Dewey's position was sound—to a conference of the senior officers of all the men-of-war in the harbor. Only Captain Chichester, the British commodore, turned up. He supported Admiral Dewey and said that he had instructions to comply with even stricter regulations than the Admiral had laid down. After the German cruiser Cormoran had been again brought up by a shot across her bow, Diederich capitulated, and an agreement was reached to

his American colleague, and behaved himself for the rest of his stay."

The incident, World's Work says, is fully described in Admiral Dewey's autobiography. It throws a somewhat interesting side light on the German official and military attitude toward the United States.

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